

*RESOLUTION NUMBER 74*

*WHEREAS*, we pause in our deliberations to join with the entire St. Louis region in remembering Damon Johnson, Ryan Mason, Bryant Barnes, Dana Johnson and Deandra Sherman, five outstanding young members this community whose tragic and untimely passing occurred on Sunday, July 9, 2006; and

*WHEREAS*, Damon, Ryan, Bryant, Dana and Deandra were loved and cherished throughout their lives by their families and friends who now struggle with their loss; and

*WHEREAS*, these treasured children were members of the St. Louis Dream Center and were talented individuals possessing intelligence and a faithful devotion to each other; and

*WHEREAS*, in this time of sorrow we are encouraged by the knowledge that their lives were filled with the joyfulness of youth, the love of family and friends, the experience of accomplishment, and the hope and peace of a life of faith; and

*WHEREAS*, Damon, Ryan, Bryant, Dana and Deandra will be greatly missed by their families and friends and by the citizens of the City of St. Louis who have been so profoundly touched by their lives;

*NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED* by the Board of Aldermen of the City of St. Louis that we break from our regular agenda to remember Damon Johnson, Ryan Mason, Bryant Barnes, Dana Johnson and Deandra Sherman and we join with the citizens of the City of St. Louis in expressing our sorrow at their passing, and we further direct the Clerk of this Board to spread a copy of this Resolution across the minutes of these proceedings and to prepare a memorial copy for presentation to the their families, at a time and place deemed appropriate by the Sponsor.

Introduced on the 14th day of July, 2006 by:

**Honorable Charles Quincy Troupe, Alderman 1st Ward**  
**Honorable Bennice Jones King, Alderwoman 21st Ward**  
**Honorable Gregory J. Carter, Alderman 27th Ward**

Adopted this the 14th day of July, 2006 as attested by:

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Patrick J. Connaghan  
Clerk, Board of Aldermen

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James F. Shrewsbury  
President, Board of Aldermen